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 Title: System and Method for Robust Image Representation Over Error-Prone
 Channels

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed
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 subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention
 entitled "System and Method for Robust Image Representation Over Error-Prone
 Channels," the specification of which is attached hereto.

I have reviewed and understand the content of the above-identified
 specification, including the claims.

I hereby claim benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of United States Provisional
 Application 60/169,066, filed December 3, 1999, entitled "Robust Image
 Representation Over Error-Prone Channels."

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the
 examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal
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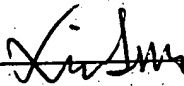
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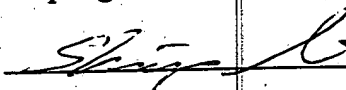
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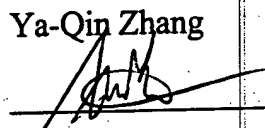
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